I shall consult the Commissioner of Police in the matter of locating the A. S. P's office at Alleppey and also the want of police establishment to give protection to port trade and activity.

You want a hospital for women and children at Alleppey. I think another member has spoken on this subject. A lady doctor and nurses are necessary and the question is already under consideration by the Administrative Medical Board and the Government will consider its report on the subject.

108. Need of vesting the control over the Alleppey Palace maidan in the municipal council.

MR. ABOOBAKER ABDUL KADIR (*Member, Municipal Council, Alleppey*) said that the palace *maidan* at Alleppey had long been in the possession of the municipal council. Recently it was taken away from their control. The council had decided to convert the ground into a park and they had written to Government about it. The member urged that Government should restore the ground to the control of the municipality for the purpose.

DEWAN'S REPLY: MR. Aboobaker Abdul Kadir, I have already given a reply on this point to Mr. Janardanan Pillai.

109. Needs of the Kottarakara taluk.

MR. N. GOVINDA PILLAI (*Member, Kottarakara taluk*) said that a new road should be opened from the Kottarakara railway station to the agricultural farm about a mile and a half to the south-east of it. The road will furnish an access to the town for the people inhabiting the regions between the railway station and the paddy fields to the south.

Secondly, the village road running to the east of the railway station, by the side of the palace and the temple, should be improved. There was a tank by the side of the road, water from which flooded into the road and made it useless.

Thirdly, a bridge should be constructed across the Kallada river at Karimpinpuzha. There were two important markets, one at Sastancotta and the other at Puthur. To go to these places one had to cross the Kallada river. A bridge across the river would therefore be of great use to the public.

Lastly, an English school for girls should be established at Kottarakara. The same proposal was brought before the Assembly at the sixteenth session. The necessity of a girls' school at the place could be seen from the fact that there were already many girls studying in the local boys' school.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Govinda Pillai, in regard to the branch road from the railway station to the agricultural farm, the road will pass through hilly country and therefore it is difficult and expensive of construction. The Chief Engineer is of opinion that there are works of a more urgent nature and so this will have to wait till they are completed.

In regard to the road from the railway station to the palace which you would like to see raised, the Chief Engineer holds the same view as yourself that it is very useful and desirable to improve this and he is having estimates prepared for its improvement.

In regard to a bridge at Karimpinpuzha I can only repeat what I said on the subject last year. However, an estimate is being prepared and the work will be registered to be taken up after more urgent needs have been met.

There is already a girls' school.

MEMBER: Forms I and II only in the school.

DEWAN: I shall ask the Director of Public Instruction to report upon your proposal.

110. Needs of the Pathanapuram taluk.

MR. ADAM SAYYID SULAIMAN ROWTHER (*Member, Pathanapuram taluk*) urged for the early opening of the road sanctioned from Pattazhi to Kunnikode. This road was one which was sanctioned by Government, but its construction was being delayed by the P. W. Department. The opening of the sanctioned road from Kunnikode to Anchal should also be expedited. The ryots' roads from Pattazhi to Enattu and from Anchal to Meenkulam should be taken over and

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maintained by Government. Two new roads should be opened in the Punalur town, one from Quilon-Shencotta road to the Anchal-Punalur road and the other from the Adur-Punalur road to the Quilon-Shencotta road. Another need of the town was the construction of a flight of steps in the Kallada river near the palace and the Travellers' Bungalow.

The member next stated that ferry boats were necessary at the junction of the Nedumkunnu-Kamukancheri road and the Rakiberiyar road, also at the 12th mile of the Chengamanad-Kadakal village road.

Next he referred to the Pattanapuram dispensary and urged that the rickety building in which the dispensary and the post-mortem shed were housed should be repaired.

Another subject taken up by the member was the registry of lands in the Pattanapuram taluk. The Kadakaman and Piravanthur reserves in the taluk should be disafforested and assigned to inhabitants of the taluk in small blocks.

So far as the Judicial Department was concerned, a Munsiff's court should be established at Pattanamtitta or at least a Village Panchayat court.

As regards educational institutions, the member stated that the vernacular school at Punalur should be shifted to a suitable building.

The member urged in conclusion that all district officers should be instructed to camp at Pattanamtitta at least for two days every month.

The Dewan told the member that the reply to the representation would be given after lunch.

111. Needs of the Shencotta taluk.

MR. S. K. SIVASUBRAMONYA PILLAI (*Member, Shencotta taluk*) said that the T. R. S. works in the Shencotta taluk were not completed in spite of repeated representations. A special staff should therefore be appointed for completing the works. The necessary Budget provision should also be made in one amount and the work carried out at one stretch. In regard to the irrigation scheme an expert should be appointed to examine the question.

The following tanks in the taluks should be restored as early as practicable : Puthukulam, Veerapandiaperikulam and Vikaramapandiaperikulam in the Achanputhur pakuthi and the Chattanathan kulam in the Ayikudi pakuthi.

The following roads should be maintained properly :

(1) the branch road from the Quilon-Shencotta road to Karkudi, Tavana etc.

(2) the branch road from the Quilon-Shencotta road to Puliyara, Thekkummudu etc.

(3) the road from the Shencotta-Kulathupuzha chowkey road to Chathia Medu.

(4) the road between Aikudi and Klangad.

(5) the road between Elathur and Atchanputhur.

(6) the Kambli branch road from the Shencotta-Samburvadakara road, as far as Vindan Kottai in the Samburvadakara pakuthi.

Bridges should be constructed over the Hanumanadi at Aikudi, over the Samburvadakara river and over the Klangad river.

Two culverts should be constructed across the branch road from the Shencotta Kulathupuzha chowkey road, one near Oorani and the other over the Mottaikal branch. Another culvert should be constructed across the Puliyara branch road, near the south-eastern corner of the Chathian Ooranikulam in the Puliyara village.

So far as the Forest Department was concerned, suitable grazing grounds should be provided for cattle in the Kulathupuzha reserve, the Puliyara reserve and the Valiyaparambu.

In regard to the Agricultural Department, the member stated the need for shifting the agricultural farm now situated at a remote corner to the centre of the taluk.

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